

State of Utah DEPARTMENT OF NATURAL RESOURCES Division of Oil, Gas & Mining

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September 6, 2007

Teddy Hackford 103 East Greenfield Heber City, Utah 84032

Subject: Need for a Notice of Intention to Commence Small Mining Operations, Teddy

Hackford, Hackford Mine (name assigned by the Division), S0130014 (unpermitted),

Duchesne County, Utah

Dear Mr. Hackford:

On August 30, 2007, Mike Hyde from Duchesne County and Paul Baker, inspector for the Division of Oil, Gas and Mining, visited your property in Section 32 of Township 3 South, Range 7 West, Uintah Special Meridian. A copy of the inspection report is enclosed. This report discusses the reasons for the inspection and observations that were made.

From these observations, it appears that you have been conducting mining operations which includes extracting mineral materials using mechanized earth moving equipment. Anyone who conducts mining operations in the State of Utah is required to submit a Notice of Intention. For operations under five acres, a Notice of Intention to Commence Small Mining Operations (NOI) must be submitted together with a permit fee of \$150.00 and, before the NOI is approved, a reclamation surety. This applies to all lands, whether public or private. The amount of the reclamation surety would be determined once you submit the NOI; it is typically \$5900.00 for a one-acre operation.

There are two options with regard to the operations on your property:

- 1. Submit an NOI, the permit fee, and, eventually, the reclamation surety. A copy of the NOI form is enclosed for your use.
- 2. Cease operations and reclaim the site.

By September 28, 2007, please notify the Division, in writing, what action you intend to take.

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If you have questions or concerns about this letter or the inspection, please contact Paul Baker at 801-538-5261. Thank you for your cooperation.

Sincerely,

Susan M. White

Mining Program Coordinator Minerals Regulatory Program

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Enclosure: Form MR-SMO

cc: Mike Hyde, Duchesne County

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